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Pro Tip: Using the Excerpt for a Post

Using the **Excerpt** field in WordPress allows you to customize the text that appears on the homepage blog roll, the News & Events landing page, and in search results for your post.

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By default, WordPress will automatically generate a descriptive blurb from the first lines of text from the body text of your post. However, if you implement the custom Excerpt function, your customized text will appear on the homepage, News & Events landing page, and in search engine results. This is especially helpful if your post has header text that should be restricted.